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Local Students to Receive Mayor Wells-Armstrong's Fourth Annual African American Civic Leaders' Scholarship

Kankakee, IL – Four local students are set to receive Mayor Wells-Armstrong's African American Civic Leaders' Scholarship in the amount of \$2,000 each. Funds for the scholarship were raised by community partners, local businesses, leaders, and private donors. No taxpayer funds were utilized.

This will be the fourth year as the special presentation has been set for Thursday, April 22, 2021 at the Kankakee Public Library at 5:30 p.m. The event will be broadcasted LIVE on the City of Kankakee's YouTube channel, Facebook page and website.

This year's recipients are as follows:

- Jazmine Watson
- Marlesia Walker
- Micah Thomas
- LoRyelle Robinson

The scholarship committee selects students based on academics, leadership, and community involvement.

"I would like to congratulate the students selected this year as we continue to work to remove the documented barriers to help minority students pursue higher education. We wish them the best on their journey to success and hope they remember that Kankakee will always be home. We support them. I would also like to thank all sponsors and community partners for their financial support toward this scholarship," said Mayor Wells-Armstrong.

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The City of Kankakee is dedicated to protecting, building, and nurturing the community while enhancing lives. We are a historic, vibrant, and active riverfront community. We continue to transform into an extraordinary place to dream, grow, and thrive. Embracing our diversity, we strive to be progressive, inclusive, and innovative. For more information on the City of Kankakee, please visit the website at www.citykankakee-il.gov.